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<b>RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION</b>  Address to: Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450	Attorney Docket No.	RIGL-002CON
	Confirmation No.	2755
	First Named Inventor	PAYAN, DONALD
	Application Number	09/651,150
	Filing Date	August 30, 2000
	Group Art Unit	1647
	Examiner Name	SEHARASEYON, JEGATHEESAN
	Title:	"TOSO AS A TARGET FOR DRUG SCREENING"

Sir:

This communication is responsive to the Office Action dated May 5, 2004, for which a three-month period for response was given making this response due on or before August 5, 2004. Accordingly, this response is timely filed.

In view of the remarks set forth below, reconsideration and allowance are respectfully requested.